In re Application of:

Docket No. 03500.017136

Group Art Unit: 1773

Date: December 8, 2005

Examiner: Holly C, Rickman

NOBUHIRO YASUI ET AL.

Application No.: 10/656,242

Filed: September 8, 2003

For: FUNCTION DEVICE AND METHOD FOR

MANUFACTURING THE SAME, PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, MAGNETIC RECORDING/REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND

INFORMATION PROCESS APPARATUS

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 19	MINUS	** 68	0	x \$25 \$50	0.00		
INDEP. CLAIMS	*9	MINUS	9	0	x \$100 \$200	0.00		
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360								
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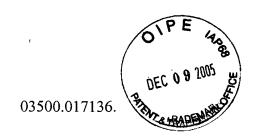
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	Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.					
	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.					
	Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed					
X	Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06 1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.					
	A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.					
X	Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.					
	Respectfully submitted,					
	Peter Saxon Attorney for Applicants Registration No.: 24,947					

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

(a) <u>Introductory Comments</u>

In response to the Official Action dated October 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: